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To           Chair, Department of English

From       Frank B. Ford  
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Please allow me to endorse Stacy Tartar for a position in English.

In my Creative Writing seminars at West Chester University, I found her to be immensely talented and very hard-working, but her development since that time is the more remarkable.

She demonstrates in repeated conversations with me a sensitivity to the evolving needs of community college students that is wonderfully refreshing. Such demanding teaching, to her, represents not some stepping-stone to a life of arcane research at the allegedly prestigious institutions thereabouts, but a place to fulfill both her students and herself. Additionally, she is tireless, innovative, and unafraid of any challenge. It all sounds relentlessly serious, but an underpinning of humor will delight both students and colleagues.

This superior person indeed resonates with the mission of the school. She must be encouraged. An appointment to your faculty would serve to recognize what she has accomplished, and give her the opportunity to contribute to the institution in the years interesting to say the least ahead.